

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5871
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ONE-BY-SIX SCHEME OF INCOME TAX
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cities/towns in which the 'one-by-six scheme' intended to widen the tax base is presently in operation;
- (b) whether the Government have a plan to extend the scheme to whole of the country;
- (c) if so, the time limit by which the scheme would be extended to all cities/towns;
- (d) the total number of persons brought under the tax-net by the scheme; and
- (e) the total tax revenue collected under the scheme on 31st March, 2002?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (REVENUE) IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

- (a) The One-by-six scheme is presently in operation in 4989 cities/ towns of the country.
- (b) No, Sir. However, it is submitted that the One-by-six scheme already covers all the urban areas of the country having a population of more than 5000 as per the 1991 census.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) The total number of persons who have filed their income tax returns under the One-by-six scheme as on 31st March, 2002 is 31.02 lakhs.
- (e) One-by-six scheme covers all those assesseees whose income is below the taxable limit and who are therefore otherwise not liable to file their income tax returns. Therefore, no separate records are maintained for such collections.